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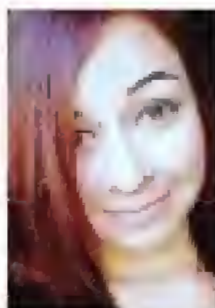
CRIME

Christine Wood believed to have been killed in suspect's home

Winnipeg police say they don't know where the body of a mis-

sing woman is, but say they knew she was dead when they searched the home of a man accused of murdering her.

Sgt. John O'Donovan says investigators don't believe Christine Wood had any previous connection to 30-year-old Brett Ronald Overby before last Aug. 19 — the day Wood was last seen alive.



Christine Wood HANDOUT

Overby is charged with second-degree murder.

O'Donovan won't say what makes police certain Wood is dead, but he says there's

not even a "one in 20 trillion chance" she's alive.

"We checked that house from top to bottom and we were able to provide evidence to the Crown's office that Christine Wood was killed within that house. Not only was she present, but she was killed within that house," O'Donovan told a news conference Mon-

day.

"We have no information from the person that's accused of this as to where she may be, but we have a couple of ideas and we will be checking some places as time goes by."

Wood, who was 21 and from Oxford House First Nation, was in Winnipeg with her parents to accompany a relative to a

medical appointment.

She never came back to her downtown hotel room after going out that night.

O'Donovan said police are asking the public for any information that could lead to the discovery of Wood's remains.

A vigil for Wood is to be held in Winnipeg on Wednesday.

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Tory fix for health care lacks hard numbers

INSIDE THE PERIMETER

Shannon VanRaes



Today, I'm hitting the streets on my bike for the first time since spring has arrived.

Of course I'm wearing a helmet and I've packed an apple, but I should probably throw on some knee and elbow pads, because getting in shape this year isn't about striving for that beach-ready body, it's about doing everything possible to avoid ever requiring emergency medical care again. Last week Health Minister Kelvin Goertzen announced that three Winnipeg emergency rooms will close as the Progressive Conservatives again harped on the manufactured — and frankly false — moral imperative that Manitoba must slay the deficit, as if we are facing a dragon infestation rather than a question about fiscal responsibility. But clearly it's the appearance of fiscal solvency that the Tories are really interested in. If the current government was actually committed to reducing the cost of delivering health care they would have provided an estimate on how much cash it will take to close Concordia Hospital's ER and transform emergency departments at Victoria and Seven Oaks into 24-hour urgent care centres. The truth is they don't know how much it will cost to make these changes and they don't care. Slashing government services is about feeding an ideology of smaller government and lower taxes, even if it means Manitobans have fewer options when it comes to accessing emergency services.

If Premier Brian Pallister's government was genuinely concerned about providing Winnipeggers with better health care and shorter ER wait times, it might have consulted those who actually work in our

health care system. Instead, the PC government is basing the largest health care overhaul seen in a generation on the advice of a man from Nova Scotia (Dr. David Peachey, of Halifax-based Health Intelligence Inc., co-authored the review).

In a transparent and unimaginative attempt to justify slashing the number of Winnipeg emergency rooms in half, Minister Goertzen then sunk to the lowest depths of clichéd hyperbole, stating that the health care system is "broken." It's a loaded and inaccurate term deployed by those seeking to undermine the systems they are supposed to represent.

No doubt there are many improvements that could be made to health care in Manitoba — more personal care home spaces would free up hospital beds, better mental health services could lessen the burden on police, paramedics and emergency rooms, and stronger prevention programs could curb some costs associated with chronic disease. But Manitoba's health care system is not perfect, but it's not broken either. People receive lifesaving, life extending and living improving health care everyday in this province.

Interestingly, if you want more information about these health care changes you won't find it on any government website. Goertzen's office posted no press release on the issue and his department posted no details on the closures, although you can find plenty of information about avoiding parasitic ticks. And for all of the talk about cutting costs, the Tories have not widely promoted the fact their promise to lower the provincial sales tax by one per cent will cost the province about \$300 million in revenue. In many ways, that's fitting, because with this government it really is all about the one per cent.

It's going to be lights out for sky lanterns

SAFETY

Update on the way for city's decade-old fire prevention law



Braeden Jones
Metro | Winnipeg

The city is set to replace its long-standing fire prevention bylaw with a new one that imposes new restrictions on previously unregulated fire risks like sky lanterns and food trucks.

Director of Fire Prevention Janet Bier said the fresh bylaw is required because the current bylaw, passed originally in 2005, hasn't had "any significant amendments since 2007" and it requires substantial changes to catch up with current best practice.

Besides changes to existing rules, the proposed bylaw will outlaw the use of sky lanterns, which are small paper or plastic hot air balloons that float through the sky, powered by an independent flame. Bier explained the lanterns can drift long distances before touching down, which can happen before the fuel supply is depleted, meaning the flame could land and catch anywhere.

Bier said they create a "hazard in highly populated areas."

"They could land on anybody's roof, in trees, on your home," she said.

Anecdotally, Bier said usage is "quite common actually," as she's seen them frequently in the summer, but she doesn't think they've caused any fires locally.

"However, around the world



The city is set to impose new restrictions on previously unregulated fire risks like sky lanterns and food trucks. ISTOCK

there have been some significant fires resulting from sky lanterns," Bier said, adding that imposing a ban now will help prevent that from happening, rather than waiting until it's too late to consider.

Food trucks will also be served some new requirements, including well-maintained fuel and fire suppression systems that will be regularly inspected for a \$150 fee.

Winnipeg Food Truck Alliance President Steffen Zinn said the added fee "isn't a big deal."

"We all want to work in a safe

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Around the world there have been some significant fires resulting from sky lanterns.

Janet Bier

environment, what's it worth cutting corners and trying to get away with not updating your system?" he said.

Bier thinks not — she said a food truck explosion in Philadelphia in 2014 killed two people and injured 10 others, which "brought attention to the fact that we were not inspecting these for fire safety."

Zinn explained trucks in Manitoba were already subject to meeting various provincial gas and electrical codes, "the only thing being overlooked was annual inspections for fire suppression."

Bier said the city just wants to "make sure they are operated in a safe manner."

INSECTS

City banking on fast federal approval for new mosquito-killing agent

It may not have full regulatory approval (yet), but the city of Winnipeg fully intends to use a new, eco-friendly insecticide called DeltaGard to wipe out adult nuisance mosquitoes this summer.

Insect Control Manager Ken Nawolsky said he expects the malathion alternative will get

the green light by June — later than he'd previously hoped, but still earlier than the city generally begins its mosquito-fogging program.

"We've done the last 15 years (of fogging) and the average is June 30," Nawolsky said. "We normally don't get any hatch of the summer (mosquito) species

until around the 20th of May, so we're feeling very comfortable in terms of when the first adult mosquito control program would occur and when the product would be here."

Despite the fact that federal approval is still pending from Health Canada's Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA),

Nawolsky said the city has already identified a successful bidder, Bayer CropScience Canada, to supply the product once registration is granted.

The PMRA proposed full registration for the sale and use of DeltaGard's main ingredient, Deltamethrin Technical Insecticide, on Feb. 28, 2017. What the city

is waiting on is a Proposed Registration Decision (PRD), which requires a public consultation phase that closes April 14.

The PRD will be published within two to three weeks, then the city will announce its vendor and receive a shipment within another week.

Nawolsky said the fact it's al-

ready this far along in the process "normally means they've already given it the blessing."

"At that point in the process it's already been identified and cleared by the Scientific Committee," he said, adding he's "very confident" it will be ready in time for Winnipeg's purposes.

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DRUNK DRIVING

Infant rescued following collision

Lucy Scholey
Metro | Winnipeg

RCMP officers rescued a one-year-old boy from the backseat of a vehicle that had rolled into a ditch following a drunk driving collision in Portage la Prairie Friday.

Police say when they arrived on the scene at Saskatchewan Avenue at around 11:30 p.m., they spotted a vehicle that had flipped on the driver's side in a ditch filled with freezing cold water. They could hear a child screaming inside. When they looked through a window, they could see the boy still strapped to his car seat and partially submerged in the water.

One officer climbed in through the broken front passenger window and cut the toddler from his seat. He was taken to hospital.

Two other girls in the car, a two-year-old and a one-year-old, were taken to hospital, along with a 29-year-old woman who was ejected from the passenger seat.

The 29-year-old female driver told the Mounties that she had lost control and rolled into the ditch. She's now facing several charges, including impaired operation of a motor vehicle, impaired operation over the blood alcohol limit and failing to comply with probation.

She has been remanded into custody and was due to appear in court on Monday.

Pride seeks input on police participation

PARADE

Organizers reassessing relationship ahead of event

Jessica Botelho-Urbanski
Metro | Winnipeg

Pride Winnipeg is re-evaluating its relationship with police ahead of its annual parade, after launching a community survey.

Posted online Sunday, the six-question survey asks whether participants have lived experience engaging with the Winnipeg Police Service, what they think about police marching in the parade and whether officers should wear their normal uniforms, "special advocacy uniforms (e.g. pink uniforms symbolizing anti-homophobia, anti-transphobia and anti-bullying)" or regular clothing when marching.

Darrel Nadeau, vice-president of governance with Pride Winnipeg, said there's been increased interest in how police participate in Canadian Pride festivities after Black Lives Matter Toronto called for police floats to be removed from that city's Pride parade last year. Toronto police recently announced they won't be marching at Pride this year.

An online survey was a safe and anonymous mechanism.

Darrel Nadeau



Festival-goers celebrate Winnipeg Pride during the annual parade in 2015. METRO FILE

In the meantime, Pride has reached out to community groups like Two-Spirited People of Manitoba and Queer People of Colour Winnipeg to help share the survey among their circles.

"Traditionally, if you have only the privileged demographics presenting this information and sharing it within their own circles, you're leaving out people who really need to be heard," said Uzoma Chioma, an organizer with QPOC Winnipeg. "And so I think the hope is that having grassroots organizations sharing this information within their communities (means) that those are the voices that are going to be heard and amplified."

Pride Winnipeg hasn't yet decided how or when the survey results will be shared publicly, Nadeau said.

Albert McLeod, director of Two-Spirited People of Manitoba, said he believes it's important for Winnipeg police to march in the Pride parade, but he wants to hear feedback from the community, including Indigenous LGBTQ voices.

"I think generally as a service agency, (police) have to have a commitment to LGBTQ people, but also to recognize that it should be safe or OK for LGBTQ people to be police," McLeod said.

Winnipeg police did not respond to a request for comment by press time Monday.

Pride Winnipeg happens May 26 to June 4.

BUDGET

Province open to privatizing services

Manitoba Finance Minister Cameron Friesen left the door open to privatizing government services and reducing tax credits as he outlined in broad strokes his priorities for the provincial budget coming on Tuesday.

Friesen said the government is determined to chip away at an \$846-million deficit left by the former NDP government and warned that big changes are needed.

"This government has made it really clear that we value an approach that is based on results," Friesen said Monday when asked whether some services might be privatized.

"We need to get the best value possible for Manitobans, and that means doing things differently, understanding that current approaches are broken. They are not working."

Friesen confirmed a CBC report the province is exploring the possibility of privatizing its fixed-wing air ambulance service that serves mostly remote communities. Helicopter air ambulance services are already run by STARS, a private non-profit agency.

Friesen also said there will be cuts to provincial tax credits.

"Our whole tax-credit system is very, very expensive and it is out of alignment," he said.

The Opposition New Democrats say the Tories are planning to reduce a tax credit for film and television productions and eliminate an income-tax rebate on tuition for post-secondary graduates. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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WHERE ARE ALL THE WOMEN?

TD Winnipeg International Jazz Festival: 48 of 104 acts feature women (46%)

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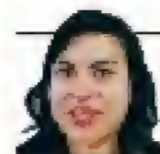
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Fewer women than men at music fests

MUSIC

Jazz Festival has the most female acts scheduled



Jessica Botelho-Urbanski
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As local summer music festivals unveil their 2017 lineups, a common thread is distinguishable among nearly all of them — there are fewer women performers on the bills than there are men.

Keyboardist and vocalist Caro LaFlamme, who plays with indie-rock group Sc Mira, said she's noticed the disparity.

"I feel like there's kind of an underlying assumption with female musicians that we don't know what we're doing," she said.

"But if we do make it onto the scene, there's kind of an expectation that we need to be absolutely 100 per cent know-

ledgeable about everything... I don't feel like that would happen to the same extent if I were a male musician."

Of four Manitoba music festivals who have released summer lineups so far, the TD Winnipeg International Jazz Festival has the most acts featuring women scheduled to perform: 48 of 104 performers (about 46 per cent).

The Winnipeg Folk Festival comes second with 25 acts or bands including women among 69 (about 36 per cent).

Dauphin's Countryfest has eight acts featuring women among 40 acts (a 20 per cent ratio), with one act yet to be announced.

MTS Super-Spike, an outdoor volleyball competition which largely focuses on rock music, has nine performers announced and a couple more to come. So far, zero women are on deck.

Greg Paseshnik, event manager for Super-Spike (and sales director for Metro Winnipeg), said he wasn't sure whether the festival's yet-to-be-announced artists would be women.

"There simply aren't that

many 'rock' bands that have female leads versus male. If I was to guess, I would say it's less than 10 per cent," Paseshnik said.

"A lot of it for our festival honestly depends on who is available and whose sound fits our bill, but again there are very limited female rock bands available to pick and choose from."

Winnipeg Folk Festival's artistic director Chris Frayer said musicians' availabilities also affect his lineup choices each year, but he strives to reach a 50 per cent female quota.

"Some years it's more than that, some years it's less than that. It's all dependent on getting those artists," Frayer said.

"There's national inequity in the industry and so if you don't invest in supporting female artists than how do you ever... help them to grow their careers?"

Frayer and Mike Falk, artistic director for the Jazz Festival, said they realize the importance of booking performers of diverse races, ethnicities and sexualities as well.

FLOOD WATCH

Assiniboine, Souris rising, overland flooding subsiding

While overland flooding is subsiding across parts of southern Manitoba, the Assiniboine River is expected to peak soon in the city of Brandon.

Manitoba's Hydrologic Forecast Centre says a flood warning remains in effect for the upper Assiniboine River from the Shellmouth Dam to Holland, and the river is expected to peak in Brandon Monday.

It says there is a risk of ice jamming in the Saskatchewan River at The Pas, and a high water advisory is in place for the Carrot River near The Pas.

The centre says the Assiniboine and Souris rivers may peak at the same time at the Portage Reservoir.

A flood watch remains in effect for the area between

Portage la Prairie and Headingley and a warning remains in effect for Pelican Lake, but it is near crest.

Emergency officials in Brandon say they don't expect anyone will need to leave their homes.

They say Brandon's earthen dike system sits at an elevation of 1,186 feet above sea level, which would provide three feet of free board above the highest river level the city experienced during the summer flood of 2014.

Homeowners have been sandbagging and Manitoba Infrastructure has placed aqua dams along 1st Street

North, but officials don't expect the road will have to be closed.

"We've got crews that are on duty 24-7 that are basically going from site to site checking that everything's OK," said Brian Kayes, emergency co-ordinator for the City of Brandon.

"The pumps are fueled up, if they've been running at all, and just everything's ready to go."

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The pumps are fueled up and just everything's ready to go.
Brian Kayes

WEST BROADWAY

Two arrested in shooting death



Lucy Scholey
Metro | Winnipeg

Winnipeg police have arrested two suspects in a West Broadway shooting that left one woman dead.


Shania Chanel Chartrand was killed in the 200 block of Spence Street March 12.

Lacy Sorokowski, 22, and Christopher Ryan St. Paul, 24, are each facing second-degree murder charges. Sorokowski has also been charged with possessing methamphetamine

for the purpose of trafficking. Both suspects have been detained in custody.

The homicide unit is still investigating. Anyone with more information is asked to contact police at 204-986-6508 or Crime Stoppers at 204-786-TIPS (8477).

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Justin Trudeau, Sophie Gregoire-Trudeau and their son Xavier visit the Canadian Military Cemetery of Beny-sur-Mer in France on Monday. GETTY IMAGES

Learning from war to make peace

POLITICS

PM condemns Bashar Assad's government on solemn trip

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau was in France for two days of overseas commemorations for Canadian soldiers killed in the two world wars, including the 100th anniversary of the Battle of Vimy Ridge and Canada's role in D-Day on June 6, 1944.

"The men who fought in 1944 were carrying the legacy of those who risked their lives at Vimy Ridge in 1917," Trudeau said after walking the beach with his wife Sophie Gregoire Trudeau and their son Xavier.

But there was no escaping the here and now, with the attack in Syria still fresh on everyone's mind. And the irony wasn't lost on Trudeau.

Bashar Assad's days as president of Syria are numbered, Trudeau suggested Monday as more hostile talk from international powers continued to amplify the threat of a military escalation in the Middle East.

The way forward in Syria can't include Assad, whose recent chemical attack against his own people were abetted by countries that have allowed him to remain in power, Trudeau said.

"There is no question that anyone who is guilty of the types of war crimes against in-

nocents, against children, that Assad and his regime are needs to be held to account," he said during a visit to Juno Beach to commemorate Canada's Second World War dead. "We need to move as quickly as possible towards peace and stability in Syria that does not involve Bashar al-Assad."

Trudeau was, however, non-committal when it came to the question of how to remove Assad from power, and whether Russia should be punished for supporting him. Canada remains open to imposing new sanctions against Russia in concert with its allies, he said, but Russia must also be part of the solution for bringing peace to Syria.

"Countries that have been supportive of the Assad regime bear some of the responsibility for the chemical attacks on innocents," he said.

"And those countries must also be part of the solution as we hold the Assad regime to account."

Asked whether he feared the world was on the verge of a new war, Trudeau said the international community needed to come together and address its challenges.

"The raging civil war in Syria, the violent conflicts around the world require an international community that pulls together, that holds each other to account and that strives everyday not to repeat the terrible mistakes of the past."

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MYSTERY

Thrift-store jacket sells for \$139,000

The mystery surrounding an authentic green jacket from Augusta National Golf Club that was once bought for \$5 at a Toronto thrift store likely stoked the enthusiasm of collectors and drove its sale at auction for more than \$139,000 US, the auction house said Monday.

Green Jacket Auctions said the distinctive sport coat worn by members of the famed Georgia club and presented each year to the Masters winner was sold Saturday, a day before

the final round of this year's tournament. The club has confirmed its authenticity. Ryan Carey, who co-owns the auction house, said it was purchased in 1994 at a Goodwill store in Toronto, though he couldn't say which location.

The jacket — from which the original owner's name has been cut out — apparently escaped the store's notice, but the man who bought it "knew exactly what it was," Carey said, adding the dis-

covery made headlines at the time. That man, who Carey said was a member of the Canadian media, sold it shortly afterwards to a golf journalist in the United Kingdom "for a very reasonable amount of money," he said. The British journalist held on to it until it was put up for auction over the weekend, he said.

"We've been begging the guy to sell it for years because we knew the story was so intriguing," Carey said.

The auction house has sold several similar jackets over the years, with jackets from club members usually going for about \$20,000 or less, he said.

"We did not expect it to be several hundred per cent of the traditional value of a member's green jacket but the story's quite compelling, the mystery surrounding the jacket — I mean, it could be a champion's green jacket, we just don't know," he said.

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Uproar after man is forcibly removed from packed flight

Video of police officers dragging a passenger from an overbooked United Airlines flight sparked an uproar Monday on social media, and a spokesman for the airline insisted that employees had no choice but to contact authorities to remove the man.

As the flight waited to depart from Chicago's O'Hare Airport, officers could be seen grabbing the screaming man from a window seat, pulling him across the armrest and dragging him down the aisle by his arms. United was trying to make room for four employees of a partner airline on the Sunday evening flight to Louisville, Kentucky.

Other passengers on Flight 3411 are heard saying, "Please,

my God," "What are you doing?" "This is wrong," "Look at what you did to him" and "Busted his lip."

Passenger Audra D. Bridges posted the video on Facebook. Her husband, Tyler Bridges, said United offered \$400 and then \$800 vouchers and a hotel stay for volunteers to give up their seats. When no one volunteered, a United manager came on the plane and announced that passengers would be chosen at random.

"We almost felt like we were being taken hostage," Tyler Bridges said. "We were stuck there. You can't do anything as a traveler. You're relying on the airline."

When airline employees named four customers who had to leave the plane, three of them did so. The fourth person refused to move, and police were called, United spokesman Charlie Hobart said.

"We followed the right procedures," Hobart said.

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Police were called to remove a passenger from a United Airlines flight in Chicago. The incident sparked an uproar. CONTRIBUTED

Ottawa to address airline bumping

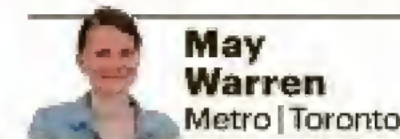
Canada will introduce new legislation this spring that will address the problem of travellers being bumped from flights, the federal government said Monday, as the violent dragging of a passenger off an overbooked flight in the U.S. unleashed anger over the practice.

A spokesman for Transport Minister Marc Garneau said bumping rules will be included

in an air passenger bill of rights that was promised last fall to establish clear, minimum requirements for compensation when flights are oversold or luggage lost.

Marc Roy declined, however, to say if the legislation would set industry-wide standards or raise compensation to levels offered in the United States or Europe. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Fight for your right to flights



May Warren
Metro | Toronto

As the summer travel season approaches, Metro breaks down your rights when it comes to air travel.

Overbooked and bumped from your plane

Whether you volunteer or are voluntold to get off a flight you've paid for, the airline owes you compensation, air passenger advocate Gabor Lukacs told Metro. "They also have to rebook you on the next flight, including on flights of other airlines

if they don't have flights of their own," Lukacs said.

How much you're entitled to is stated in the airline's "tariff" which outlines its contractual obligations to passengers.

Luggage lost or damaged

Under the Montreal Convention you're again entitled to some reimbursement for lost or damaged luggage when travelling internationally, said Lukacs. Domestically it falls to individual airline tariffs but all the major Canadian airlines have language on this. It can be hard to make sense of the fine print.

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CALIFORNIA

Apparent murder-suicide at school kills adults, student

A husband opened fire on his wife Monday in a San Bernardino elementary school classroom, killing her and a student in a murder-suicide that spread panic across a city still recovering emotionally from a terrorist attack at a community centre just 15 months ago.

The shooter also died, and a second student was critically wounded at North Park School.

"The children we do not believe were targeted," police Capt. Ron Maass told reporters.

The gunman was identified as 53-year-old Cedric Anderson, of Riverside, who shot his wife, Elaine Smith, also 53. She was a teacher in the special-needs classroom for students in first through fourth grades.

Anderson said nothing as he began firing a large-calibre revolver, according to police. Both of the children who were hit were standing behind Smith. An 8-year-old later died. The other student was hospitalized in stable condition.

The gunman had a history of weapons, domestic violence and possible drug charges that predated the marriage, which lasted only a few months, authorities said.

The boy who died was identified as Jonathan Martinez. Au-



Students and parents are reunited after the shooting. GETTY IMAGES

thorities did not name the other boy who was wounded.

The 600 other students at the school were bused to safety at California State University's San Bernardino campus, several miles away.

As word of the shooting spread, panicked parents raced to the school, some in tears, some praying as they anxiously sought information about their children. They were told to go to a nearby high school where they would be reunited.

Four hours later, the chil-

dren began to arrive at the high school, getting hugs from emotional parents. As the students got off the buses, many of them carrying glow sticks they had been given to pass the time with, police officers applauded and high-fived them.

When the buses first pulled away, some parents ran alongside, waving and trying to recognize their children inside. Many said their children were too young to have cellphones. Others said the phones rang unanswered. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Free tuition, with a catch

EDUCATION

Students must stay in New York after graduation

There's a big string attached to New York's free middle-class college tuition initiative: Students must stay in the state after graduation or else pay back the

benefit.

Gov. Andrew Cuomo said Monday that the requirement was added to protect the state's investment in a student's education by ensuring they don't take advantage of free tuition and then leave New York.

The tuition initiative, which Cuomo said is a national model, covers state college or university tuition for in-state students from families earning \$125,000 or less. Students must remain in

New York for as many years as they received the benefit. They must repay the money as a loan if they take a job in another state.

"Why should New Yorkers pay for your college education and then you pick up and you move to California?" Cuomo said during a call with state editorial writers. "The concept of investing in you and your education is that you're going to stay here and be an asset to the state. If you don't want to stay here, then

go to California now, let them pay for your college education."

Students who receive free tuition and then leave the state for an advanced degree won't have to pay the money back assuming they return to New York once they complete their graduate studies.

Officials also plan to make accommodations for graduates who leave the state for military service.

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New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo signs legislation for free college tuition Monday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Business digest

Bombardier executive compensation delayed

After facing nearly two weeks of criticism, Bombardier said Monday its board had approved delaying payment of planned compensation for six executive officers by one year to 2020, provided the company meets certain objectives. Had the changes not been approved, the executive compensation for 2016 would've been nearly 50 per cent more than the previous year.

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Help those hurt by free trade, global groups say

The world isn't doing enough to help workers and communities damaged by free trade, the International Monetary Fund, World Bank and World Trade Organization say.

The three multinational groups want countries to make it easier for people to switch careers or move where jobs are and in some cases to provide insurance for lost wages.

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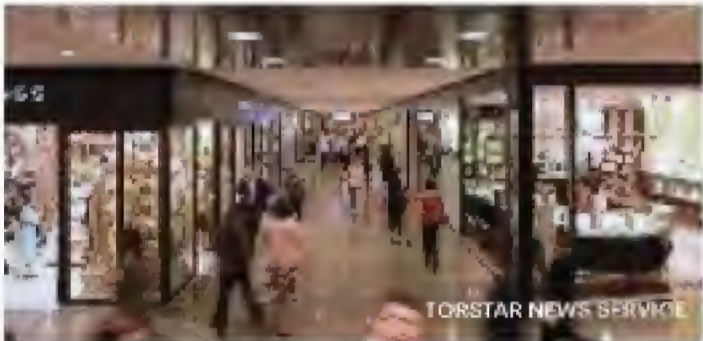
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What lies beneath

Skylines often provide the shorthand for a city, but the ground beneath the buildings is fertile territory too. There's useful and livable space beneath us, and with space at a premium on the surface, sometimes the solution is to dig down. **These cities are putting more than pipes underground.**

Play: Projected to open in 2021, New York is working to convert a disused underground trolley terminal on the Lower East Side of Manhattan into a park. Using fibre-optic technology to create light sources underground, the developers hope to create a sprawling space with greenery, fountains, and spots to hang out, do yoga, play and engage.



Shop: Winter — you don't want to go through it, you can't get around it, so Canadians go under it. Toronto, Montreal and Winnipeg are among the cities that boast vast subterranean path systems to link urbanites to shops, office towers and transit stations without ever needing to step foot in a pile of slushy city snow.

Thrive: With more than 5 million people on an island smaller than New York City, Singapore has ambitious plans to make space. Nanyang University has devoted an entire department to studying the feasibility of building under the city, and the government is investing millions of dollars to explore plans for everything from a research facility housing 4,200 scientists to moving utilities, like an oil cavern, underground.



Park: In city where 14 per cent of commuters are cyclists and in a country where 78 per cent of households have a bike, Tokyo needs somewhere to put all those two-wheelers. Enter Eco Cycle, an elevator that whisks bikes from the street to vertical parking silos under the city streets. As an added bonus, the bikes are protected from the elements and would-be thieves.



Farm: The heart of London doesn't leave much room for farmers' fields. But when chefs want to get their hands on locally grown produce, they can dig deep — 33 metres deep — to Growing Underground. Built in a WWII-era bomb shelter, the farm produces salad greens and herbs year-round using LED and hydroponic technology, all while reducing carbon emissions by keeping travel time down and reconnecting city dwellers to their food sources.

WORD ON THE STREET by David Hains

It rarely pays to play when sports teams call for cash: Expert



Andrew Zimbalist CONTRIBUTED

With five Canadian teams in the NHL playoffs, there's lots to like for fans. There's less to like on the business side. The Calgary Flames CEO threatened to "just move" if a \$1.8-billion arena isn't built (with \$1.3 billion from the city). Does it ever make sense to subsidize sports? We asked economist Andrew Zimbalist, author of *Circus Maximus* and *No Boston Olympics*. He says the numbers often don't add up.

Emotional appeal Subsidy boosters argue the team is part of the city's DNA, and brings intangible benefits; in other words, benefits are unknown. Zimbalist says emotional arguments to subsidize the team can be made, but don't substitute for a business case. "If you're concerned at a social or cultural level, then I would say you have to think about subsidies. But don't think about subsidies because of an economic impact."

The local economy Zimbalist says the argument that sports is a boon to city coffers is overblown. Research shows entertainment dollars are still spent in the absence of a team. Also, sports aren't great at keeping financial activity in the city. Take the NHL: players are paid half of revenues, but most of that is taxed federally, or saved and invested globally. Taking the family to a nice restaurant is a more sound investment in the local economy.

Be specific Zimbalist doesn't oppose all sports subsidies. He says stadiums as redevelopment catalysts can make sense, pointing to San Diego, Calif., and Brooklyn, N.Y. But those are the minority, and "the devil is in the details." He warns against subsidies by another name, like waiving property taxes, interest-free loans or introducing a special tax or fee to support the team.

PUBLIC WORKS The week in urbanism



- RAY OF HOPE** Georgia wants to turn a stretch of rural highway into a living lab for creating the road of the future. Dubbed The Ray, the road already boasts solar-powered vehicle charges. More innovations on the way include pavement that works like a solar panel and native plants lining the roads to provide bee habitat.
- MASTER OF DISASTER** Vancouver has hired a Chief Resilience Officer to help plan for natural disasters and tackle long-term problems like improving infrastructure and housing. The new office is armed with \$1 million from the Rockefeller Foundation-funded non-profit 100 Resilient Cities. Toronto, Calgary and Montreal are also participants.



DEFINITION **Bunching** is the frustrating phenomenon that sees two or more late buses arrive at once. (And stopping it involves chaos theory.)

USE IT IN A SENTENCE My new jeans are **bunching** worse than the downtown bus at rush hour.

CITY CHAMP

Sophia Horwitz is the director of Co*Lab in Halifax. The agency programs public art shows, walking tours and other engaging activities to get communities talking and creating together.

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Removing the 911 fear factor

FENTANYL CRISIS

New act looks to protect those reporting an overdose

Genna Buck and
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It happens nearly every day, somewhere in Canada: A house party. Music blares. People use street drugs like cocaine, MDMA, heroin or pain pills.

Then someone collapses. Shaking them and shouting their name yields nothing.

It's an overdose, possibly of a deadly opioid like fentanyl. They need an ambulance. There's no time to lose.

And you, the bystander, are faced with a choice.

Do you call 911, potentially bringing the police down on your head? Do you call, but bolt before authorities arrive, leaving a critically ill person alone? Or do you try to cope on your own?

That decision may soon be a little easier.

MPs are gearing up for a debate Tuesday on the Good Samaritan Drug Overdose Act. If passed, it will protect everyone at the scene of a drug overdose from being charged or convicted for certain drug-related offences if they call for help.

An earlier version of the private member's bill, giving protection from simple drug possession charges, passed the



The good Samaritan Drug Overdose Act, set to be debated by MPs on Tuesday, would offer legal protection to anyone phoning 911 for help at the scene of a drug overdose in a bid to remove the potentially fatal 'fear factor'. ISTOCK

House unanimously in November.

It has since been amended by the Senate to include immunity from charges of violating bail conditions, conditional sentences, probation orders or parole conditions — if the person's original offence related to drug possession.

Liberal MP Ron McKinnon, who introduced the bill back in February 2016, is pleased about

the amendments and says he's "crossing his fingers" the issue comes to a vote and the show of unity continues.

way to reduce overdose deaths.

But a lot has changed since then, and not just the party in power. Overdose deaths

cates are praising government's efforts.

Rob Boyd, director of the Oasis needle exchange program at Ottawa's Sandy Hill Community Health Centre said for some people, this change

will matter a lot.

"When someone from our community overdoses, 911 is called less than half the time. And the No. 1 reason is fear of

When someone from our community overdoses, 911 is called less than half the time. And the No. 1 reason is fear of the police. They're afraid they will be charged with possession of drugs. Rob Boyd

Just two years ago, the House of Commons was passing strict limits on harm-reduction centres where people can use drugs under supervision — a proven

have skyrocketed and dangerous opioids like fentanyl and carfentanil have become ubiquitous.

Now, harm-reduction advo-

the police," he said. "They're afraid they will be charged with possession of drugs."

Boyd said as drug use and overdoses become problems at raves, parties and even weddings, it's important for people to know they don't face legal prosecutions for calling, even if that's not realistically likely.

"Unfortunately, fear does motivate behaviour."

Though McKinnon cautioned this bill is only "one arrow in the quiver" of a much larger response to the opioid crisis, he's hopeful it will help prevent people from panicking and making bad choices when someone overdoses.

"This is not all about addicts, though it certainly would apply to them," he said.

"But it also applies to kids and young adults who go to parties and take some unknown pill somebody gives them."

"Casual users sometimes find themselves in dire straits. They don't know how to deal, they're fearful of being arrested or charged. And they try to handle it on their own when time is of the essence."

He explained the bill would also benefit people are afraid of being caught violating an order, such as a conditional sentence.

"For people in those circumstances, there's more to their story than just hanging out in a place where people are using drugs. They too are leery about calling for help."

"We want them to make that call anyway. We can't help people if they're dead."

BODY IMAGE

Calgary company designing confidence

When people wear AJ Vaughn's designs, he wants them to be reminded it's OK to be who they are — whatever that might be.

Recently, Vaughn launched a website for Jay Heights, a local clothing label he founded with a focus on body positivity and giving back. He started the business after going through his own body image struggles in high school.

"People are judgemental, they're hard on each other. I wanted to start a movement to help people be more confident in themselves," the 20-year-old

entrepreneur said.

He was always used to being the tallest kid on the playground, but as he grew older, Vaughn said his friends kept growing taller.

"(My friends) would tease me, they called me short and stuff like that," said Vaughn.

Even though he claims they were joking most of the time, the then-teenager took the comments to heart. He became "extremely" insecure about his

height, even researching ways to make himself taller.

"I was pretty unhappy with myself," Vaughn said.

As graduation got closer, he realized his height wasn't going to change — but his perspective could.

"I realized I can't complain for the rest of my life, because then I'd be unhappy," said Vaughn.

After high school, he took a

small loan and started designing products that would "inspire confidence" in his customers.

"I want them to be reminded they're amazing in their own way, to feel comfortable in their own skin, and not worry about what others say," Vaughn said.

The positivity doesn't end there — a chunk of the profits from Jay Heights are donated to the Hope for the Homeless Foundation, a charity Vaughn founded which makes and delivers care packages to Calgary's homeless population.

ELIZABETH CAMERON/METRO



AJ's clothing line, Jay Heights, is about body positivity and raising awareness on homelessness. JENNIFER FRIESEN/FOR METRO

**HISTORY**

THE YEAR FEMALE DISTANCE RUNNING WAS BORN This year's April 17 Boston Marathon will mark the 50th anniversary of Kathrine Switzer being the first "officially registered" woman to compete in the event (Bobbi Gibb participated unregistered, or as a "bandit," in the 1966-68 races). At the time, women were not allowed to enter the Boston Marathon. When race director John "Jock" Semple tried to physically remove her from the course, he was blocked by Switzer's burly boyfriend Tom Miller. The iconic images appeared in newspapers worldwide, and thus the era of female distance running was born. Switzer, now 70, is scheduled to run the race again on Monday. **TORSAR NEWS SERVICE**

Eyewear stores focus on Canada

OPTOMETRY

Global retailers see potential for success

Boutique eyewear retailers from around the world have set sights on Canada as a hotbed for growth, hoping to capitalize on the country's aging population and what they say is its taste for haute couture.

Several companies including Hong Kong's Mujosh and Bailey Nelson of Australia have plans to open dozens of new stores over the next few years.

"Canadian people focus more and more on fashion trends, which makes Canada a promising market for us," said Mujosh spokesperson Doris Jin.

Last year, Canadians spent about \$4.2 billion on spectacles, which includes frames, lenses, sunglasses and ready-made reading glasses, according to re-

search firm Euromonitor International. That's up from about \$4.06 billion the previous year. Euromonitor says it expects steady growth to continue.

Bailey Nelson is coming back with two locations in Vancouver this spring, with plans to open one more there and two in Toronto over the next year, said the company's managing director of North America, Bree Stanlake.

"Across Canada, I can see easily between 40 and 50 stores in the next four years," she said.

Not to be outdone, some Canadian boutique chains also have ambitious growth goals. Montreal-based Bonlook currently has eight locations, but is planning to have more than 40 stores by early 2020, said company spokeswoman Andreanne Ferland.

An aging population and more screen time among younger generations has resulted in more people needing glasses in Canada, Euromonitor said in a report last year. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Clockwise from left: Fargo season 3 star Olivia Sandoval; Bob Odenkirk, Giancarlo Esposito and Jonathan Banks of Better Call Saul; and Carrie Coon and Justin Theroux in The Leftovers.

Why April is new coolest TV month

TELEVISION

Top shows mean spring no longer a rerun wasteland

It wasn't all that long ago that spring marked the tail end of TV series' seasonal lifespans.

In the network system, most shows wrapped up their annual runs of episodes, took the summer off, and premiered again in the fall to help people shake off the blunt force trauma of the end of vacation and a return to work and school.

But in the modern age, when producers are relentlessly trying to entice viewers, there's no set agreed schedule.

That's to the benefit of consumers. With a constant stream of new and quality content, no longer do we have to sit through a wasteland of reruns until autumn rolls around. And right now, April is the very best month TV has to offer.

If you're a sports fan, this month of TV is shaping up beautifully in a way it hasn't in years. The NHL's Maple Leafs have secured a playoff berth for the first time since 2013; the NBA's Raptors have already secured a playoff spot, and both baseball's Blue Jays and soccer's Toronto Football Club are kicking off their seasons after successful campaigns last year.

However, the behemoth April TV has become is about much more than sports. Viewers have first-rate dramas premiering every week and there's something for just about everyone.

For starters, there are three critically acclaimed series whose fans are cuticle-less in anticipation of the returns.

The first, Better Call Saul (April 10, AMC) begins its third season and promises the sad-but-inevitable moral disintegration of Bob Odenkirk's Jimmy McGill character into Breaking Bad's infamously wormy Saul Goodman. The first two seasons did terrific work at building Jimmy/Saul's backstory and humanizing him, but producers Vince Gilligan and Peter Gould are using these next 10 episodes to illustrate his downfall and slick-slide into villainous territory.

Oh, and the iconic monster known as Gus Fring — last seen (spoiler alert!) blowing up real good in a nursing home in Breaking Bad's fourth season — will make an appearance. Better Call Saul is a fantastic companion story to the masterful one first told, and it's more than worth catching up on the first 20 episodes before this season.

Nine days later, another phenomenal series returns for its third season: Fargo (April 19, FX), which won a slew of prime-time Emmy Awards and Golden Globes in its first season, and received rave reviews with an entirely different cast last year.

Filmed in Calgary, the anthology — based on the Coen Bros.' 1996 movie — will feature Ewan McGregor in two roles this season, and co-stars Carrie Coon (Gone Girl).

The outstanding Coon also has a starring role in another April premiere: The Leftovers (April 16, HBO Canada), returning for a final third season. Produced by Lost co-creator Da-

APRIL TV

- Archer**
April 5, FXX
- Better Call Saul**
April 10, AMC
- Mystery Science Theatre 3000**
April 14, Netflix
- Doctor Who**
April 15
- The Leftovers**
April 16, HBO Canada
- Fargo**
April 19, FX
- Bosch**
April 22, CraveTV

mon Lindelof, The Leftovers is as mysterious and bleak as TV gets, and its stellar cast makes the plot — ostensibly, an examination of how we'd survive if the world ended in a piecemeal fashion — a continuing revelation.

If that isn't enough, April is also the launching point for the return of the hilarious animated Archer (April 5, FXX), and Veep (April 16, HBO); the rebooted Mystery Science Theatre 3000 (April 14, Netflix); a new edition of Doctor Who (April 15, Space) — Peter Capaldi's final season as the Doctor — and premieres of much-anticipated new series including Idris Elba vehicle Guerrilla (April 16, CraveTV).

TV fans will likely have to set aside much of May and June just to get caught up.

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PODCAST

New Jian Ghomeshi podcast fuels backlash

About a year after being acquitted of sexual assault charges that destroyed a celebrated broadcasting career, former CBC personality Jian Ghomeshi resurfaced online Monday with a new music and podcast series.

The one-time media star announced a venture called "The Ideation Project" on Twitter with the message: "Hi. For those interested, here is something I've been working on..."

The project is described on the website as "a creative adventure with the aim of taking a bigger picture view on newsworthy issues and culture." Future content will cover "a variety of topics from politics to philosophy to pop culture and the human condition."

Reminiscent of the short essays that would kick off Ghomeshi's hosting gig on CBC Radio's "Q," the debut post features musings on immigration, globalization and race. The six-minute monologue called "Exiles" asks: "What does it mean to feel like you have no homeland?"

The site credits all words, original music, recording and

production to Ghomeshi.

The social media reaction was largely negative within hours of the debut, and branding expert Martin Waxman said Ghomeshi would be wise to move slowly as he returns to the spotlight.

"I think he's probably smart to do this in a low-key way, to sort of test the waters and see what the reaction is," said Waxman of the Toronto firm Martin Waxman Communications.

"Because if he came out with a big promotion plan, I don't know if people are ready for it. The other thing is if this is a creative endeavour of his own, which it seems to be, it takes a while to build. One episode does not a sustained podcast make."

Ghomeshi's career crashed hard after he was fired from the CBC in October 2014. At the time, the public broadcaster said it saw "graphic evidence" he had caused physical injury to a woman.

His image as an erudite social progressive unravelled as multiple allegations followed, culminating in a high-profile trial that revealed intimate de-

tails of his romantic life.

Ultimately, Ghomeshi was acquitted in March 2016 of four counts of sexual assault and one count of choking involving three complainants.

In May 2016, he apologized to a fourth complainant and signed a peace bond that saw a final count of sexual assault withdrawn.

Waxman said it's now up to the public to determine whether Ghomeshi can rebuild his career.

"Everyone deserves a second chance if they've apologized and seem contrite. The question is, is that enough time and do people feel like, 'OK, we need to give him another chance?'"

The first episode features only Ghomeshi's voice, but Waxman expected the former man-about-town would have little trouble securing interview subjects or other collaborators if he decided to expand the format.

"I'm sure that Mr. Ghomeshi has supporters," he said. "If they're outside of Canada, for example, (they) may not really care what happened."

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SPORTS AND RECREATION

Ease into outdoor running this spring

After a long winter of being inactive, you're probably dying to get out in the warm weather and hit the pavement. But pushing yourself too hard can cause injuries. Before you take a spin around the block or try your first marathon, follow these tips from Michelle W. Book, holistic nutritionist, to safely get into the swing of things.

Start small: Don't go too fast or too long to start. Warm up by walking for a few minutes, then running for a few minutes, then walking again. Alternating between running and walking will give your body a chance to slowly build up the strength and endurance you lost over the winter. Gradually decrease the amount of time you're walking and increase the amount of time you're running and before you know it,

you'll be doing a five kilometre run effortlessly.

Stay hydrated. If you're running less than an hour, water is typically a good choice. Anything more than an hour or where you're sweating extensively, and you're going to need to replenish important electrolytes that you're losing. Coconut and maple water make great natural sports drinks, while electrolyte powders are another option growing in popularity. You can find them all at your local Canadian Health Food Association member health food store. It's also important to remember to drink throughout the day, not just before and after your workout. To prevent dehydration, drinking eight to 10 cups of water a day is a good rule of thumb.

Snack smart. If you're just getting back into



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your running routine, you may start to crave carbs. This happens because carbohydrates are the body's main fuel source, but it doesn't mean you should load up simple carbs like white bread and sugary snacks. Focus on complex carbs instead, like brown rice or pasta for sustained energy release, or chia seeds,

which also provide protein and omega-3 fats. Chickpeas are another great energy-rich food for runners, packed with protein for an added boost. Having adequate stores of carbs and replenishing during an extended workout have been shown to improve performance and delay fatigue.
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As Winnipeg gets ready to welcome athletes from across the country for the 2017 Canada Summer Games, the City of Winnipeg's Spring/Summer Leisure Guide has a number of sports-themed summer camps designed to get young athletes in training started on a path to the podium.

Sports camps available this summer include but are not limited to: Tennis, Baseball, Lacrosse and Triathlon & Explore — a unique and well-rounded full-day camp that allows kids to participate in triathlon events like cycling, swimming and running, as well as other sporting activities like soccer, lacrosse and ultimate Frisbee.

The full-day sports camps, including the Triathlon & Explore camp, are specifically designed to help kids develop what's known as physical literacy — a wide variety of basic human movements like running, jumping and catching that build confidence, competence and creativity in physical activity.

Tim Fergus, coordinator with the City of Winnipeg's Community Development and Recreation Services Division says the basic skills kids pick up during the summer camps are instrumental in helping them achieve success in sports for the rest of their lives — regardless of whether they decide to keep active doing recreational activities or move on to competi-



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tive sports.

"According to the Canadian Sport for Life Model, in order to achieve success in sport an individual must begin with a wide variety of basic human movement skills and fundamental sport skills — this will help to develop confidence and competence in the person," he explains. "The City of Winnipeg's Sport Camps will introduce and develop such fundamental skills in a fun environment."

The Triathlon & Explore day camp is for kids aged 11 to 14 and is part of the city's Learn to Train series designed to introduce and develop skills like running, jumping, catching, throwing and batting.

For more information on summer camps, or other registered activities offered this summer, pick up the Spring/Summer Leisure Guide or go to Winnipeg.ca/leisureonline.

Marathon runners dash to a new, improved finish line

Annual Manitoba Marathon to end at Investors Group Field with Jumbotron, music, food

The Manitoba Marathon is set to make the biggest change to the race in its 39 year history when runners hit the streets in June.

This year the finish line for the Manitoba Marathon is moving to the Investors Group Field (CFL field).

"By running into the stadium it allows us to have the finish line right on the field—which is obviously really cool—but we can also have the Jumbotron going so the runners will be able to see themselves on the big screen as they're coming in," says Manitoba Marathon executive director, Rachel Munday. "We're going to have a DJ going with music and it's just going to take the event to the next level this year."

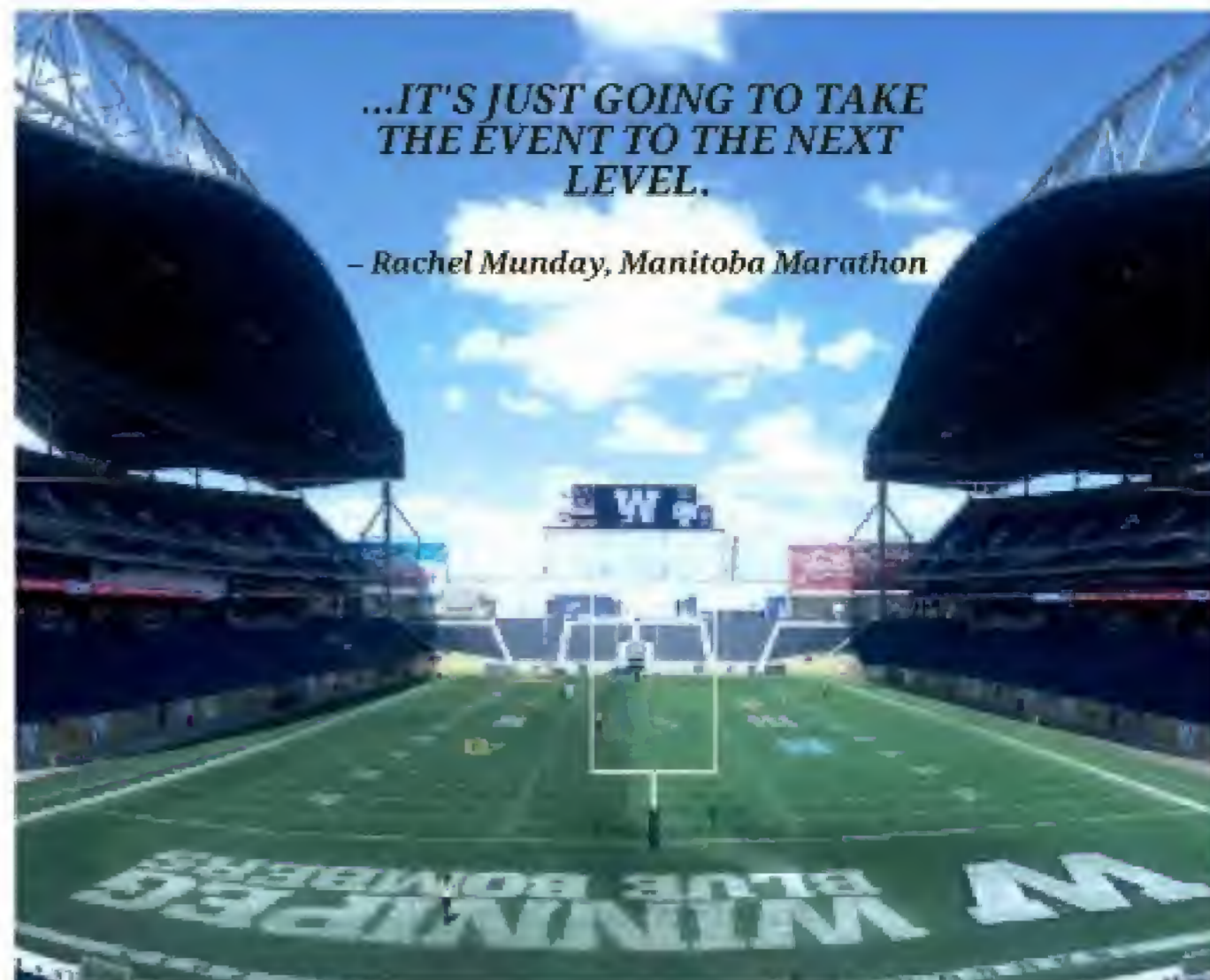
The change follows last year's reversal of the 26.2-mile course, and makes the marathon the first in Canada to finish on a CFL field. Runners of the full marathon, the half marathon, the 10K Super Run, and runners of the final leg of the relay race will all finish their runs at the home of Winnipeg Blue Bombers.

As well as being a really cool spot to end the race, Munday says having the finish line at Investors Group Field allows for more space for the runner's recovery area and will encourage participants to stick around to grab a bite, hang out and watch others cross the line.

She says it's also going to be a much nicer venue for fans to cheer on friends and family.

The 2017 Manitoba Marathon runs June 18 and early bird registration is open until April 18 for all six marathon events.

Munday says those events—the Full Marathon, the Half Marathon, the Five Person Relay, the 10-km Run, the 2.6-mile



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...IT'S JUST GOING TO TAKE THE EVENT TO THE NEXT LEVEL.

— Rachel Munday, Manitoba Marathon

Super Run, and the Mini Mites competition—mean there's an event for everyone to take part in, regardless of skill level.

"We have lots going on for race day and you don't have to be a full-marathoner to

be able to come out and enjoy it," she says. "We take pride in the fact that we have something for everyone."

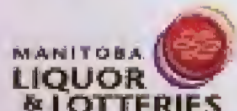
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Cheveldayoff and Maurice to stay on

NHL

Despite average season for Jets, long-time GM backs coach

Winnipeg Jets fans can expect head coach Paul Maurice and general manager Kevin Cheveldayoff to continue being the ones mandated with turning the club into a playoff contender.

The two met with reporters Monday, two days after the Jets (40-35-7) missed the NHL playoffs for the fifth time in six seasons since relocating from Atlanta. Despite that, contract extensions are expected for both.

Cheveldayoff, the only GM the club has had since moving to Manitoba, said he's had conversations about his contract with co-owner Mark Chipman.

"I've got nothing to report here right now," he said. "I love this organization."

"This is an organization, for me, that we started a process and I'd like to see that process through, so I'm hopeful there's something at some point in time."

He hasn't started talks with Maurice, but Cheveldayoff said they're coming.

"Paul Maurice is the coach of this hockey team and what, where, how we go through the next steps, those are things that we'll have discussions as we go," Cheveldayoff said. "But, for me, Paul's got my full support."

Maurice is heading into the final season of a four-year contract extension he signed in April 2014. He replaced Claude Noel, who was fired earlier that year in January.

Maurice, who's guided the team to a 136-112-33 mark and one playoff appearance (in 2015) isn't worried about contract talks.

"I'm going to do whatever (Cheveldayoff and Chipman) ask me to do," he said. "I don't think about that a whole lot, I never have in my career. Every contract I've ever done took about 10 minutes."

Maurice, 50, still supports Winnipeg's draft-and-develop path and likes the strides that



Paul Maurice, back centre, and the Jets disappointed again in 2016-17. TREVOR HAGAN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

have been made.

"Doesn't need to be turned around, it's headed in the right direction," Maurice said. "This is by far the youngest, but also the team with the most opportunity that I think I've ever coached, clearly."

The Jets showed they could score goals, with first-year player Patrik Laine recording a team-high 36. He finished four behind rookie leader Auston Matthews of the Toronto Maple Leafs.

Fourth-year centre Mark Scheifele had a team-high 82 points with 32 goals, Blake Wheeler scored 26 goals, Nikolaj Ehlers had 25 and Bryan Little added 21.

But while the team tied for sixth overall with 249 goals

scored, it allowed 256, the league's fourth-highest total.

"How do we develop a defensive game in offensive players? That's the challenge you're faced with, with this group," Maurice said.

He also assessed sophomore goalie Connor Hellebuyck, who became the starter after veteran Ondrej Pavelec was sent to the AHL's Manitoba Moose after training camp.

"I would look at Connor like our hockey team, the whole group," Maurice said. "There are lots of games you really liked and you saw into the future."

Hellebuyck was 26-19-4 with a 2.89 goals-against average and .907 save percentage. Backup Michael Hutchinson went 9-12-3

with a 2.92 GAA and .903 save percentage.

"Some nights we played really well in front of (Hellebuyck), some nights we didn't give our goaltenders much of a chance. That's a fact," Maurice said. "(Hellebuyck) is going to learn how to fight now, learn how to compete a little harder."

Cheveldayoff said "the sky's the limit" for Hellebuyck but isn't adverse to bringing in competition.

He and Maurice pointed to the club's heavy early season schedule and 355 man games lost to injury as having an impact on the team's performance. But both were optimistic about a group that finished with a franchise-record seven-game win streak.

"I don't see four rookies making our team again at the start of the year so we'll be better," Maurice predicted. "We'll be better in all areas."

"It will be incremental. There are areas that we have to improve that aren't going to come easy. We'll get better."

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NHL

McDavid pockets Art Ross Trophy

Connor McDavid is the third-youngest player to win the Art Ross Trophy after he led the NHL in scoring with 100 points.

McDavid turned 20 in January, and only Sidney Crosby and Wayne Gretzky were younger Art Ross winners. McDavid had 30 goals and 70 assists in his second season to finish with 11 more points than second-place Crosby and lead the Edmonton Oilers to their first playoff appearance since 2006.

Crosby, captain of the Pittsburgh Penguins, won his second Maurice "Rocket" Richard Trophy by leading the league with 44 goals.

Braden Holtby of the Washington Capitals won the William M. Jennings Trophy as the goaltender who allows the fewest goals. The Capitals allowed a



Connor McDavid got to the 100-point plateau with a pair of assists in the Oilers' final regular-season game on Sunday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

league-low 182 goals, 13 fewer than the Columbus Blue Jackets. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WORLD CUP

Canada would likely gain entry as co-host

Canada and Mexico will only get a slice of soccer's biggest prize if the joint North American bid for the 2026 World Cup is successful.

The proposed blueprint calls for 60 of the 80 games in the new expanded tournament format to be held in the U.S. with 10 going to Canada and 10 to Mexico.

"The final decisions on those things are up to FIFA. It's their tournament. But that will be our proposal and

that is our agreement together," U.S. soccer president Sunil Gulati told a news conference atop the Freedom Tower in lower Manhattan.

The good news for Canada, which has qualified just once for the men's World Cup is the push to maintain the tradition of having the tournament host(s) automatically qualify.

The three-nation bid was officially launched on Monday.

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Canada is currently ranked No. 109 in the world. Mexico is No. 16 and the U.S. are No. 23.

IN BRIEF

Canucks fire Desjardins

The Vancouver Canucks have fired head coach Willie Desjardins after a miserable 2016-17 season.

The team announced the move Monday, less than 24 hours after losing its eighth straight game in regulation. The Canucks finished 29th in the NHL's overall standings.

In three seasons with Vancouver, Desjardins compiled a 109-110-27 record. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Verlander, Tigers get the better of Sale and Red Sox

Justin Verlander and Chris Sale dominated in a matchup of ace pitchers before Nicholas Castellanos singled in the go-ahead run off Sale in the eighth inning, lifting the Detroit Tigers over the Boston Red Sox 2-1 on Monday.

Verlander gave up an unearned run, three hits and two walks while striking out four over seven innings. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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MAKE IT TONIGHT

Spring-fresh Roasted Asparagus with Tomatoes and Bacon

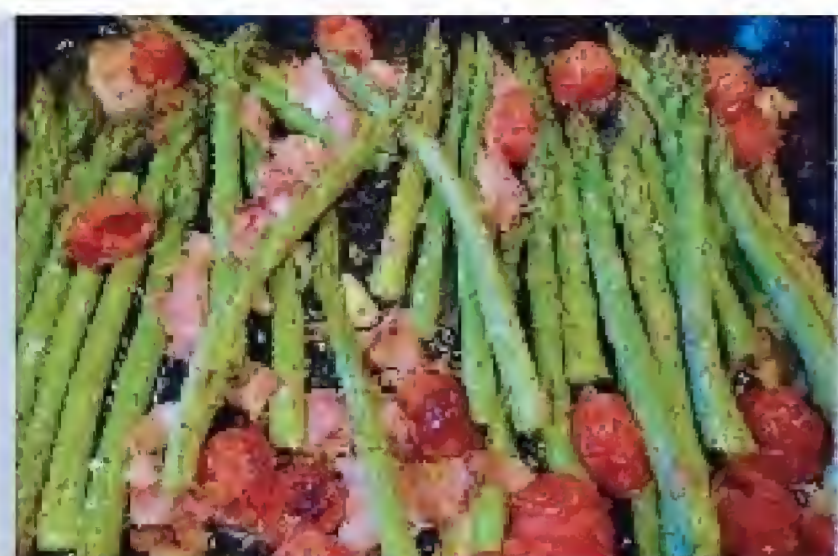
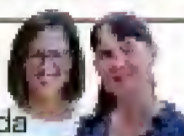


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Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh
For Metro Canada



The roasted flavour on the vegetables coupled with bacon will make this easy side dish your entrée's new best friend.

Ready in 30 minutes

Prep time: 10 minutes
Cook time: 20 minutes
Serves 4

Ingredients

- 2 large bunches of asparagus (500g)
- 1-2 Tbsp of extra virgin olive oil
- 2 cloves of garlic, crushed
- 4 pieces of smoked (streaky) bacon, diced
- handful of cherry tomatoes, halved
- ½ cup of dry white wine
- salt and pepper to taste

Directions

1. Preheat the oven to 400. Snap the ends of the asparagus — it'll always break where the woody bit ends, so you won't end up eating tough, stringy stems — and keep the ends with the tips. In a roasting pan, add the asparagus and the rest of the ingredients.

2. Toss it all together with your hands, squeezing the tomatoes slightly to get the juice out.

3. Bake for around 15-20 minutes, until the asparagus starts to brown a little and is nice and tender.

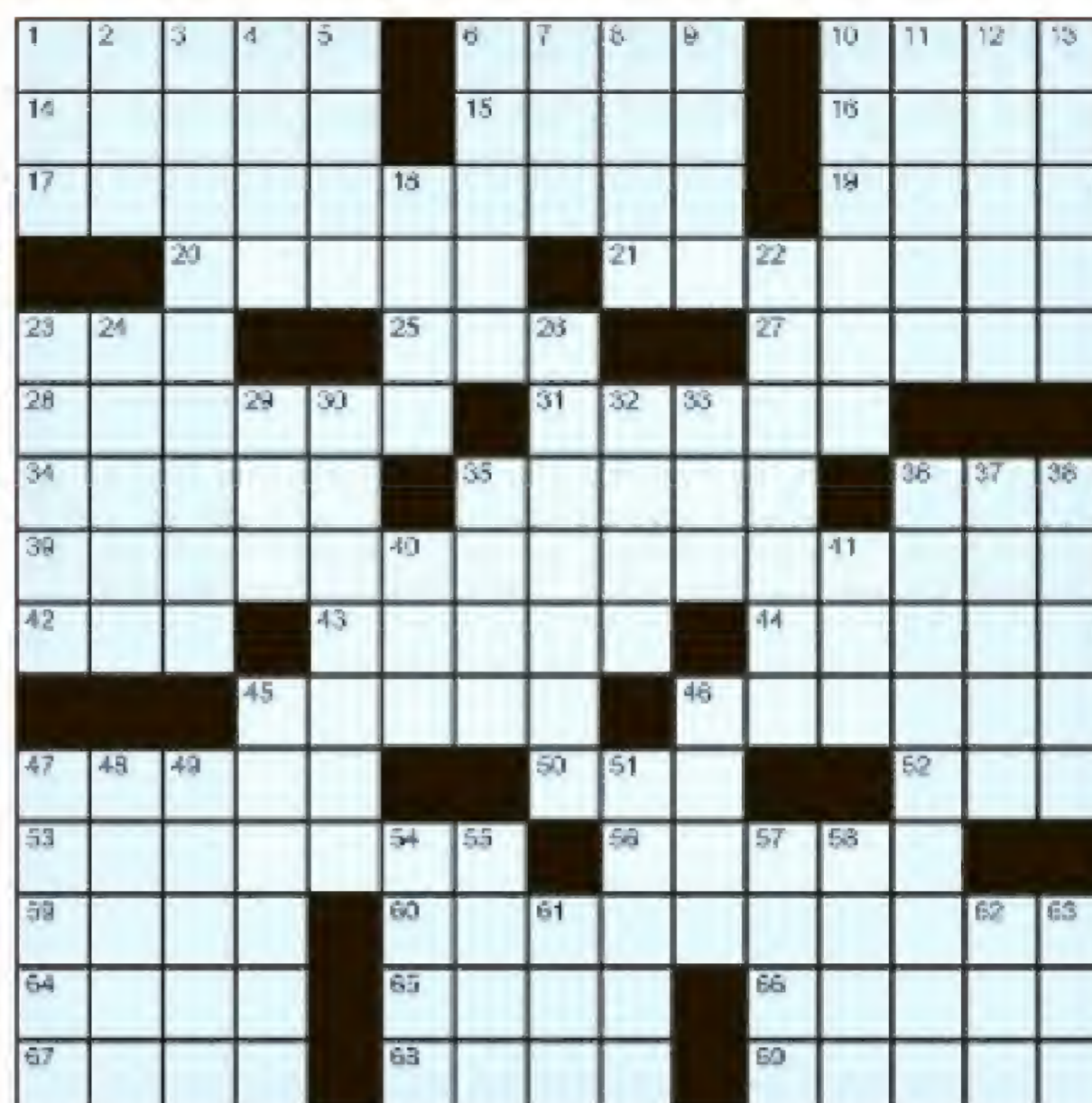
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ACROSS

1. Ars Gratia (MGM's motto)
6. City's air problem
10. Small argument
14. Screen technology
15. Woodstock emcee Mr. Gravy
16. Cogito sum (I think therefore I am)
17. Tuesday, April 11th, 2017... Big game at the Rogers Centre; 2 wds.
19. Particular horse coat
20. Donor's life-saving donation
21. 'Twilight' character played by Nikki Reed, Hale
23. 'S' of RSVP
25. Beer barrel
27. Topple
28. Penguin of Antarctica
31. Mr. Fiennes of flicks
34. Broaden
35. Southern Alberta town
36. Seasonal ailment
39. Competition for the Milwaukee Brewers at #17-Across; 3 wds.
42. 1913 tune: "Peg a Heart"
43. 1998 Edwin McCain song; 2 wds.
44. Tuesday, in Montreal
45. Every seven days, week
46. Rats and cockroaches, to a homeowner
47. Christopher Plummer film role, Captain von Trapp
50. Slimy stuff
52. Droop



53. Celebrity chef Emeril
56. Braid
59. Egyptian sun god, variantly
60. 18 to 38 in baseball
64. Movie director, Nicolas
65. Shakespeare's

- river
66. Double and Triple in baseball
67. 'Susp' suffix
68. Ancient harp
69. Vehicle variety

DOWN

1. Baseball player, e.g.

2. Oz hopper
3. Way to undampen the clothes from the washing machine; 2 wds.
4. Reykjavik is its cap.
5. "Away ants!"
6. Ingrid Bergman, for one
7. "Rain" (1988)
8. Completed
9. Roasted lamb sandwich
10. Winged/haloed being
11. Worker, informally
12. "Do It" by Steely Dan

13. Fit
18. Nudge
22. Chocolate (ice cream flavour)
23. Carried out a task, it
24. 'Burn the midnight oil', for example
26. Assortment/variety; 2 wds.
29. Mr. Sayer of songs
30. Baseball normally has nine
32. Having the means
33. Bucharest money
35. Lacquered metalware
36. Grange
37. Merle Oberon title role film of 1941
38. Putting into service
40. "No Scrubs" trio
41. of jam
45. Seville, for one
46. Mouse-like critter
47. TV screen problem
48. Toronto Centre
49. S-shaped mouldings
51. Express a thought
54. Earth crust's upper layer
55. Greenly admire
57. Snow-peaked mountains in Europe
58. Eric of "Monty Python's Flying Circus"
61. Favouring
62. Scandinavian rug
63. US tax ID

* IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

Aries March 21 - April 20
Expect a surprise from a friend or partner today, because today is a bit of a crapshoot. Keep your head down and your powder dry.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
Things at work will be unpredictable. It's a classic day for staff shortages, computer crashes, cancelled meetings and mixed-up communications. Fasten your seatbelt!

Gemini May 22 - June 21
This is an accident-prone day for your kids, so be extra vigilant if you are a parent. It's also an unpredictable day for social occasions and romantic get-togethers. Expect delays and cancellations.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
Small appliances might break down at home today or minor breakages could occur. Something unusual will change your home routine.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
This is a mildly accident-prone day for your sign, so pay attention to everything you say and do. Later in the day, you might want to do some long-term planning.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Keep an eye on your money today, because things are unpredictable. You might find money, or you might lose money. Guard your possessions against loss, theft or breakage.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
This is an up-and-down day for you. The only thing you can do is go with the flow. Be flexible when it comes to your ever-changing schedule.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
You feel restless today. That's OK, because this is a restless day. Ironically, it eventually will settle into a practical, solid routine.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
A friend will surprise you today. Alternatively, you might meet someone new today who is a real character. At least, it's not a boring day.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Go gently during important discussions with parents and bosses today, because something unexpected might catch you off guard. Think before you react. Be aware and mindful.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Travel plans are unpredictable today. You might suddenly have to travel for unexpected reasons, or planned travel might be interrupted or cancelled.

Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20
Double-check all details pertaining to shared property, banking, taxes and debt today, because something is awry. Make sure you know what's going on.

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